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**LETTER**

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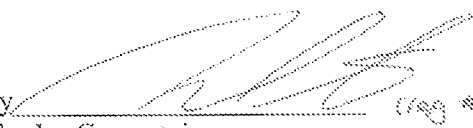
Pursuant to the Notification of Acceptance mailed March 14, 2006 in connection with the above-identified application, enclosed herewith are copies of the **Foreign and/or Non-Patent Literature documents** that were cited in the PCT and JP Priority Applications and listed on the Form PTO-SB08 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on January 30, 2009.

The PTO is requested to make these documents of record in the file of the present application and to return the enclosed initialed Form PTO-SB08 to the undersigned.

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